

REMARKS

Claims 1-12, 22-30, and 32-34 have been allowed. Applicant has carefully reviewed the present application in response to the Examiner's Amendment dated March 22, 2007. The Examiner's Amendment to Claims 1, 22, and 28 appears to contain minor informalities and duplicative limitations, particularly to Claim 22. Accordingly, Claims 1, 22, and 28 are amended herein. Applicant respectfully submits that the amendment does not affect the merits of the application and is proper under 37 CFR 1.312. Applicant therefore respectfully requests entry of the amendment.

Comments on the Examiner's Statement of Reasons for Allowance

Applicant submits the record as a whole makes evident the reasons for allowance and that there are additional reasons for patentability not enumerated by the Examiner. While Applicant agrees with the Examiner's reasons for patentability to the extent such reasons are consistent with the record as a whole, Applicant does not acquiesce or agree to any characterization of the claims that place unwarranted limitations or interpretations upon the claims, especially to the extent such limitations or interpretations are inconsistent with the claim language, specification or prior prosecution history in this case.

The Director of the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office is hereby authorized to charge any fees or credit any overpayments to Deposit Account No. 50-3183 of Sprinkle IP Law Group.

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